# CONGREGATIONAL CRIER



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### Welcome to Worship

To keep up with what's going on here at MCC, you can visit our website (middleburyucc.org), like us on Facebook, follow us on Instagram (@middleburycongregational), and subscribe to our YouTube Channel.

#### Restrooms

Restrooms are located down the stairs in the Narthex/entrance of the sanctuary. Accessible, single person restrooms, equipped with changing tables, are located on the Upper Level and may be easily accessed using the elevator. The elevator entrance is located through the exit door in the front of the sanctuary on the left. Please ask an usher for directions/assistance.

#### Sunday School & Nursery Childcare

Children are always welcome in worship. During the school year, Sunday School is available during worship for PreK-7<sup>th</sup> grade. School age children will begin Sunday in worship before heading out together with their teachers in the beginning part of worship. The first Sundays of the month are Communion and Family Sunday and Sunday School will not be in session. Staffed childcare for infants through preschoolers is available in the Nursery throughout the year, which is in the upper level Sunday School. If you need assistance, please ask an usher. For more info about Sunday School and childcare, contact the Church Office: office@middeleburyucc.org

#### For More Info

For more information about the church, to sign up for our newsletter please email: (office@middleburyucc.org)

#### Communion

Communion is celebrated the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month and is open to all, including children, who wish to grow in faith in Jesus Christ.

#### This Service is Being Livestreamed

If you do not want to appear in the video please choose a pew downstairs in the back 5 rows.

#### **Hearing Assistance**

We have headphones to assist you in hearing the service. Please let an usher know, and they will set you up with a pair.



#### **GWIM Food Donations**

In order to try and make a bigger impact to help the GWIM soup kitchen we are going to have a food of the month collection. Below are the items for each month that we will appreciate if you can contribute to help supply the soup kitchen. These items can be left on the Multiplication Table to the left of the pulpit. Here is a list for the year so you can look for sales. Thank you again for your generous donations.

July - Chicken Gravy

August – Cereal

September – Jelly

October – Peanut Butter

November – Dutch Egg Noodles and Elbows

December – Instant Potatoes



## What Do You Love About MCC?: Volunteers Needed for Media Campaign

We're planning to do some social media video ads featuring short testimonials from MCC friends and members about what they love about MCC. We need volunteers willing to be filmed sharing what they love about our church for the campaign. We're looking for people of all ages to participate. People are most likely to try a church because someone they know invited them, so this is a way for us to invite our neighbors. If you're interested, please contact Pastor Katrina (kmanzi@middleburyucc.org).



#### Yoga at MCC!

What: Vinyasa Yoga for all fitness levels

Where: Our Social Hall When: Mondays @ 5:30 p.m. Why: Join us and RELAX!

**How:** Bring a mat and blocks. Bolster, water bottle, strap and blanket are optional. Please dress to move.

## MCC Night Out @ the Ballpark Friday 8/16 @ 7:10pm

Tickets will be approx. \$17 per person



Email Pastor Katrina (kmanzi@middleburyucc.org)
if planning on attending
MCC's reservation is due 2 weeks before the game

### School Book Bag Challenge August 2024

Again this August, we are supporting the children from the Wellmore Foundation for back to school supplies. So when you are out and about shopping this summer and come across some sales on school supplies, please feel free to purchase those items so we can fill their book bags with items they will need for the new school year. Here are a few ideas to pick up: Book bags, 3 ring binders, filler paper, spiral notebooks, composition books, assignment pads, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners, pencil boxes/pouches, colored pencils, pens, crayons, rulers, scissors, glue sticks, school glue, markers, dry erase markers, permanent markers, highlighters, calculators, index cards, or paper clips.

These will be due in the church office by August 14th.